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MOTION TO OPPOSE SB 1060 (RIDLEY-THOMAS) RELATED TO THE LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM COMMISSION (ITEM NO. 58-A, AGENDA OF APRIL 8, 2008)

Item No. 58-A on the April 8, 2008 Agenda is a motion by Supervisor Knabe to oppose SB 1060 (Ridley-Thomas); instruct the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to advise our State legislative representatives and the Governor of the Board's opposition; and instruct the CEO to inform the Los Angeles City Council, the Board of Directors of the California Science Center, and the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission of this action.

Position on SB 1060: Opposition to SB 1060 is consistent with previous Board actions to oppose AB 260 (Wright) of 1999 and AB 261 (Wright) of 2001, similar bills which would have eliminated the Coliseum Commission and created a new State-controlled agency to assume management and operation of Exposition Park, including the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum and Sports Arena.

Summary

SB 1060, as amended on April 1, 2008, would: 1) terminate the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission (Commission); 2) create the Exposition Park Authority Board (Authority) consisting of 9 members designated or appointed as specified, which would assume all the rights, obligations, and duties of the Commission; and 3) vest in the Authority: a) the jurisdiction and control over the management and operation of any and

all real and personal property located in Exposition Park that is owned by the State; and
b) the authority to employ a park manager and to exercise any and all powers formerly held by the Commission.

The members of the Authority would be appointed or designated as follows:

- One public member appointed by the Governor;
- One public member appointed by the Senate President pro Tempore;
- One public member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly;
- The Secretary of the State and Consumer Services Agency, or his or her designee;
- The Executive Director of the California Science Center, or his or her designee;
- The County Supervisor representing the Second District;
- The City Council member representing the Eighth Council District; and
- Two public members appointed by the Authority based on their level of financial contribution or development, or both contribution and development, to Exposition Park and the Expo/University Park Redevelopment Project.

With the exception of the scheduling of park events and the resolution of conflicts, the Authority's jurisdiction would not extend to the internal management and operation of the several museums located in Exposition Park, or to the facilities owned or leased by the City and/or the County of Los Angeles or the Los Angeles Unified School District.

SB 1060 also would require the Authority to: 1) prepare a master plan for the long-range comprehensive economic development and improvement of Exposition Park; 2) sell the parcel of property that the Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena occupies; and 3) establish an advisory board that shall meet regularly with the park manager to improve communication and coordination among facilities and to consult with and advise the park manager on issues relating to the operations of Exposition Park.

The advisory board would consist of a representative from each museum and tenant in Exposition Park, plus a representative from the University of Southern California. The advisory board shall meet regularly with the park manager to improve communication and coordination among facilities and to consult with and advise the park manager on any issues relating to the operations of the park in general.

The park manager would report directly to the Authority and: 1) be responsible for managing the common interests of the various entities in Exposition Park; 2) have the authority to coordinate and manage parkwide affairs on a full-time basis; and 3) be responsible for and control all lease and other contract negotiations entered into with entities that contract with the Exposition Park Authority relating to the use of Exposition Park and facilities within the park, subject to approval by the Authority.

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Support and opposition to SB 1060 is currently unknown. This measure is set for hearing on April 7, 2008 in the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee, and on April 15, 2008 in the Senate Governmental Organization Committee pending the outcome of the April 7, 2008 hearing.

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